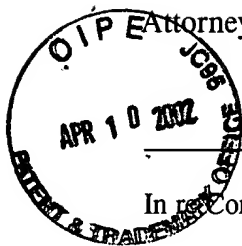


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In re Continued Prosecution Application of

Thomas STRÜNGMANN

Serial No.: 09/674,800

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1. ☒ Utilize the file jacket and contents of the prior application, including the specification, drawings and oath or declaration from the prior application, to constitute this new application, and assign the application number of the prior application to this application for identification purposes.
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- a. ☐ PTO-1449
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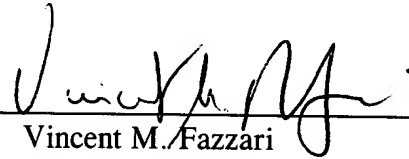
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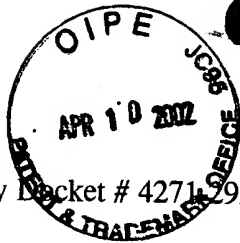
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On Page 1, please insert the following:

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